

## Auctions

Christie's Online Auction, *The Collector: New York*, October 13 - November 1, 2023, includes **five** Fabergé objects. [Lot 512](#), a nephrite cigarette case with an excellent historical overview.

Christie's Online Auction, Paris, October 13 - November 3, 2023, [The Collector: Le Goût Français](#) with **five** objects: Clock, three photograph frames and a desk set.

Christie's Online Auction, November 14-28, 2023, [Jewels Online: The London Edit](#) with **three** lots: Photograph frame, bell push, and pen tray.

Christie's Live Auction, Paris, [Derniers Souvenirs de Ferrières](#), November 16, 2023, with **nine** objects - clock, handles, flask and a variety of cigarette cases representing several well-known Fabergé workmasters, i.e., Wigström, Hollming, Anna Ringe, and Soloviev.

Christie's Live Auction, Paris, *The Exceptional Sale, Including Masterpieces from the Rothschild Collections*, November 21, 2023, [Lot 34](#), ENAMEL DESK CLOCK IN GILT SILVER, MOUNTED ON GOLD by Henrik Wigström, stock number 15241, accompanied by generic text.

Christie's Online Auction, *Jewels Online*, November 28, 2023. Initial auction data appeared without a closing date and edits occurred while the objects were being advertised.

Lot 400 description: "NO RESERVE [FABERGÉ GROUP OF ANTIQUE ENAMEL AND DIAMOND, JEWELRY](#)" states maker's marks are Michael Perchin [Perkhin], and August Hollming for two objects, and then in conclusion, "all circa 1900, unsigned". [Ed. note: Is the wording 'unsigned' possibly a contradiction in that Fabergé objects are marked with the workmaster's initials<sup>1</sup>, but are never signed? Only one verso of the three objects is shown, and it does not have a Fabergé imprint. Four more illustrations announced are not shown. The date of the auction on the internet is given only as *November 28, 2023*, but the sale of \$13,860 for **three** objects is stated as *December 11, 2023*.]

Christie's Online Auction, *Joallerie Paris*, December 1-15, 2023, [Lot 15](#), FABERGÉ WOODEN PENCIL IN ITS GUILLOCHÉ ENAMEL AND DIAMOND CASE FOR LADIES, Lot description states "maker's mark (Anne [*sic*, more correctly Anna] Ringe), numbered" [Ed. note: Neither stock nor inventory number are given.]

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**Sotheby's** London, [Fabergé, Imperial & Revolutionary Works of Art](#), June 27 - July 11, 2023, auction contained **52** Fabergé objects. A preview (July 2, 2023) and a review (September 13, 2023) are annotated on Andre Ruzhnikov's [website](#).

Sotheby's London, *Freddie Mercury: A World of His Own | The Evening Sale*, September 6, 2023, [Lot 4](#). Five bidders competed for the Fabergé clock which was hammered down for £69,850/\$86,300. A [research analysis](#), "Freddie Mercury's 'Fabergé' Clock that Looks Awfully Like a Timepiece by the French Jewellery House Cartier" by Tim Richman Gadroffe is published on the author's new website.

Sotheby's Geneva, [Vienna 1900: An Imperial and Royal Collection](#), November 6, 2023. Assorted objects described as *possibly* Fabergé and an illustration combined **one** Alfred Thielemann pendant offered together with "a collection of [4] pendants" without any studio or workmaster identification. Sold for 21,590 CHF (Details shared by Katrina Warne, UK)

Sotheby's Geneva, [Magnificent Jewels](#), November 14, 2023. **Five** Fabergé cigarette cases.

Sotheby's, London. [Fabergé, Gold Boxes, Vertu & Imperial Works of Art](#), November 28, 2023. **44** Fabergé objects well-described with provenance details, previously seen in auctions and exhibitions, and a large volume of photographs with multiple close-ups.

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**Bonham's** London has [Fabergé offerings](#) (upcoming and past lots) from its conglomerate of four auction houses (Cornette de Saint Cyr (France), Rasmussen and Bukowski's (two separate auction houses in Scandinavia), and Skinner (USA)) acquired in a six months period "to build a global network of regional auction houses to cement its control of the art market for works priced around \$1 million or below."<sup>2</sup> The combined website is still in a period of adjustment.

## Regional Auction Houses

HVMC (Hotel des Ventes de Monte Carlo), November 10-11, 2023, [Collection Privée Française](#) includes **two** Fabergé cigarette cases. A nephrite cigarette case with a Grand Duchess Maria Pavlovna (1854-1920) monogram.

Heritage Auctions, Dallas, Texas, [Fine Silver & Objects of Vertu](#), November 16, 2023 - The link to a beautifully illustrated flip book auction catalog with very informative lot descriptions for **seven** objects with photographs (cover and pp. 19-23) is cited here for the reader's archives and just sheer visual enjoyment!

Jackson's International Auctions, Cedar Falls, Iowa, [Winter World Treasures](#), November 28 - 29, 2023. **Twenty-four** Fabergé objects including a large variety of pendant eggs. Must use ALL SEARCH for the Fabergé objects to appear!

Million (Hotel Drouot, Paris), [Art Russe](#), December 11, 2023. Fabergé bowl and dessert flatware are no longer on the website after the sale. Only resource for data is a subscription to the *La Gazette Drouot*.

Coutau-Bégerie & Associés (Hotel Drouot, Paris), [Russie Impériale, Collection d'un Amateur Étranger](#), December 19, 2023. Four Fabergé objects.

## Need Auction Catalogs?

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- [Fabergé & Russian Works of Art Auction Catalogues Part Two: 1980 to Present](#)
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### ENDNOTES:

<sup>1</sup> Lowes, Will and Christel Ludewig McCanless. [\*Fabergé Eggs: A Retrospective Encyclopedia\*](#), 2001, pp. 175-245. by Will Lowes (Author), Christel Ludewig McCanless (Author)

<sup>2</sup> Chow, Vivienne. "[Bonhams's Shopping Spree Continues as It Acquires Its Fourth Auction House This Year](#)", *Art News*, June 28, 2022.